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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated November 29, 2006, the following remarks are submitted in connection with the above application.

**No claims are amended.**

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 2 of this paper.